

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

JAMES SMOTHERS, et al.,)	
)	
Plaintiffs,)	
)	
v.)	Case No. 306-cv-608-MJR
)	
DELTA COMPANIES, INC., a Delaware)	
Corporation,)	
)	
Defendant.)	

ORDER REGARDING DISCOVERY

In the interest of reducing delay and expense, it is **ORDERED** that discovery disputes that cannot be resolved through informal means pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 37 shall be handled in the following manner:

The party with the discovery dispute shall contact Robin Butler, Judge Wilkerson's courtroom deputy, at 618-482-9376, to schedule a telephonic conference call with the Court and opposing counsel. If the dispute involves written discovery, the disputed portion(s) shall be faxed to the Court, at 618-482-9277, prior to the telephonic conference. The party with the discovery dispute shall be responsible for initiating the conference call. The Court's teleconference number is 618-482-9004. Written motions to compel or legal memoranda will not be accepted unless specifically requested by the Court. Expense of the call will be borne by the non-prevailing party. The parties are directed to this court's webpage, <http://www.ilsd.uscourts.gov/Judges/wilkersonpretrial.html>, for additional information and specific procedures regarding discovery disputes. **Consult this Court's webpage BEFORE contacting chambers with questions.**

DATED: October 31, 2006

s/ Donald G. Wilkerson
DONALD G. WILKERSON
United States Magistrate Judge